

## Message Text

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ACTION VO-03

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 SCA-01 CIAE-00 FBIE-00  
INSE-00 NSAE-00 ORM-02 DHA-02 /021 W  
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R 181601Z APR 77  
FM AMEMBASSY BERLIN  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4555  
INFO AMEMBASSY BELGRADE  
AMEMBASSY BUCHAREST  
AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST  
AMEMBASSY MOSCOW  
AMEMBASSY PRAGUE  
AMEMBASSY SOFIA  
AMEMBASSY WARSAW  
AMCONSUL FRANKFURT

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DEPT. FOR EUR/CE, SCA AND VO; FRANKFURT FOR INS

E.O.11652: N/A  
TAGSC PFOR, CSCE, CGEN, CVIS, GE  
SUBJECT: DELAYS IN ISSUANCE OF U.S. VISAS IN GDR HUMANITARIAN  
CASES.

REF: SOFIA 0711 ( NOTAL).

1. EMBASSY HAS ENCOUNTERED SIMILAR PROBLEMS TO THOSE DESCRIBED  
IN REFTEL., SINCE WE OPENED IN LATE 1974. THIS HAS BEEN  
PARTICULARLY TRUE IN CASES BEING PROCESSED IN INS OFFICES NEW  
YORK AND CHICAGO AND ALSO INCLUDES FIANCEE CASES( FORM  
I-129F). (PETITION PROCESSING BY INS FRANKFURT HAS BEEN  
CONSISTENTLY SPEEDY AND WE WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SAY SO  
IN THIS MESSAGE. COOPERATION BY THAT DISTRICT OFFICE IN ALL  
OUR CASES CAN ONLY BE CHARACTERIZED AS SUPERB.)

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2. WHILE THE DEPARTMENT HAS SO FAR BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN  
EXPEDITIOUS PROCESSING BY INS AT HOME IN TRULY PRESSING  
CASES, WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO " SECOND" SOFIA'S CONCERN  
THAT OUR EASTERN EUROPEAN, E.G. GDR, PARTNERS, BOTH AT  
BELGRADE AND BILATERALLY HERE IN BERLIN NOT BE GIVEN  
THE CHANCE TO CRITICIZE U.S. PERFORMANCE IN THIS FIELD.

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## Message Attributes

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